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February 7, 2008

TO:

Transportation and Communications Committee

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Update on the Draft 2008 RTP

BACKGROUND:

Since the release of the Draft 2008 RTP on December 6, 2007, we have received several comments from our stakeholders and members of the public.

This committee instructed staff to ensure that all relevant documents supporting the four major projects in the Plan (CETAP, High Desert Corridor, I-710 Tunnel, Orangeline) be compiled and considered for inclusion in the final RTP. A letter requesting supporting documentation was signed by Chair Wapner and sent to the appropriate agencies. We have received documentation in support of the Orangeline and expect to hear a response from the other Agencies shortly.

As required by law and in accordance with our Public Participation Plan, three public hearings were held in January to allow stakeholders and the public to comment on the Draft RTP. To encourage participation at these public hearings, Staff mailed out nearly 4,500 letters to our regional stakeholders announcing the hearings. The public comment period will end on February 18, 2008. All comments received during the public comment period, including those received at the public hearings, will be documented and considered in finalizing the RTP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact. Budget for this work is fully reflected in the current OWP.

Reviewed by:

Division Manager

Reviewed by:

Department Director

Reviewed by:

Chief Financial Officer